

## **AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS**

The following claim set replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (currently amended) A process for preserving post harvest produce comprising the step of coating ~~an exterior surface of~~ the post harvest produce with a coating composition comprising an aqueous emulsion of from about 0.25 to 25% by weight of ~~the a~~ polyvinylidene chloride copolymer, and from about 0.0005 to 10% by weight ~~anionic of an octylphenol or nonylphenol ethoxylate~~ surfactant.

2. (previously presented) A process as set forth in claim 1, wherein the polyvinylidene chloride copolymer is formed of co-monomers selected from the group consisting of polyvinylidene chloride-co-, acrylic acid, styrene, vinyl chloride, and combinations thereof.

3. (canceled)

4. (previously presented) A process as set forth in claim 1 wherein the coating composition includes from about 0.05 to about 0.1% by weight of an antimicrobial.

5. (previously presented) A process as set forth in claim 1 wherein the coating composition includes from about 50 to about 1000 parts per billion of a fungicide.

6. (original) A process as set forth in claim 1 wherein the coating composition includes about 0.005 to 0.1% polydimethylsiloxane.

7. – 11. (cancelled)

12. (currently amended) A process for preserving post harvest produce comprising coating ~~an exterior surface of the~~ post harvest produce with ~~a produce-preserving effective amount of~~ a coating composition comprising an aqueous emulsion

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of polyvinylidene chloride copolymer, and at least one ~~non-ionic~~ surfactant which is selected from the group consisting of octylphenol ethoxylates and nonylphenol ethoxylates, ~~and polysorbates~~.